Call for Applications: Study of the U.S. Institutes for Scholars and Secondary Educators

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The U.S. Embassy in Nepal is pleased to announce a call for applications for Study of the U.S. Institutes for Scholars and Secondary Educators (SUSI), which sends professionals from around the world to the United States for academic training and hands-on professional development. Please note that these programs are only open to professionals working in academic fields and in secondary schools.

Study of the United States Institutes for Scholars (Summer 2014)

Study of the United States Institutes for Scholars are intensive, post-graduate level academic programs with integrated study tours. The program's purpose is to provide mid-career, foreign university faculty and other scholars the opportunity to deepen their understanding of U.S. society, culture, and institutions. The ultimate goal is to strengthen curricula and to improve the quality of teaching about the United States in academic institutions abroad.

Institutes are offered in the following content areas (descriptions of each available through the link provided below):

- Contemporary American Literature
- Journalism and Media
- Religious Pluralism in the United States
- U.S. Culture and Society
- U.S. Foreign Policy
- U.S. Political Thought

Candidates should be mid-career, typically between the ages of 30-50, highly-motivated and experienced scholars and professionals generally from institutions of higher education or research-focused organizations (non-profits, think tanks, etc.). While the educational level of participants will likely vary, most should have graduate degrees and have substantial knowledge of the thematic area or a related field.

Study of the United States Institutes for Secondary School Educators (Summer 2014)

The Study of the United States Institutes for Secondary School Educators will provide two multinational groups of 20 experienced secondary educators with a deeper understanding of U.S. society, education, and culture, past and present. The focus of the Institute will be on providing materials for participants to develop high school level curricula about the United States. To this end, the Institute may be organized around a central theme or themes in U.S. civilization. Through a combination of traditional, multi-disciplinary, and interdisciplinary approaches, the programs will explore the history and evolution of U.S. institutions and values, broadly defined. The program will also serve to illuminate contemporary political, social, and economic debates in American society. The

four week academic residency will be complemented by a one week study tour. The aim of the study tour is to showcase the rich cultural, geographic, and ethnic diversity of the United States.

Study of the United States Institutes for Secondary School Educators is to take place in mid-June 2013 for a duration of six weeks. Candidates should be mid-career, highly-motivated and experienced secondary school educators. Secondary educators can include secondary school teachers, teacher trainers, curriculum developers, textbook writers, and ministry of education officials, or other related professionals working directly on secondary education.

More information on all programs is available at: http://exchanges.state.gov/non-us/program/study-us-institutes-scholars/details

Applications must be submitted by email no later than December 28, 2013 to cultureKTM@state.gov

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